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Speaker Mesnard Applauds Confirmation of Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Arizona Speaker of the House J.D. Mesnard (R-17) today applauded the Senate confirmation of Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch and chided Democrats for forcing the Senate to invoke the nuclear option on Supreme Court nominations.

“Justice Gorsuch’s elevation to the Supreme Court is a huge victory for advocates of states’ rights and those of us who champion the original intent of the Founding Fathers,” said Speaker Mesnard. **“I thank the U.S. Senate, especially Senators McCain and Flake, for confirming him.”**

“While I couldn’t be happier about Justice Gorsuch’s confirmation, it’s unfortunate that Democrats forced the Senate to invoke the nuclear option to overcome their filibuster. Justice Gorsuch has impeccable qualifications and seems very much in the mold of the man he will replace: the late Justice Antonin Scalia. Interestingly, 30 years ago Justice Scalia was confirmed to the U.S. Supreme Court by every single Democrat and 10 years ago Justice Gorsuch himself was confirmed to the 10th Circuit by every single Democrat, but today’s Democrats sadly insisted on abusing the filibuster against a worthy successor to Scalia simply to appease their base.”

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